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RE: Docket No. 1996-51-C – **Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a/ Verizon Long Distance**

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Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing is the original proof of publication in *The State Newspaper* of the above-referenced docket for **Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a/ Verizon Long Distance**. Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by returning, file-stamped, the extra copy of this cover letter in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed for that purpose.

Any questions regarding this filing or the publication may be directed to me or **Connie Wightman**, consultant for **Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a/ Verizon Long Distance**, at (407) 740-8575.

Sincerely,

Nicole Wade
Administrative Assistant

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cc: Cheryl Powers – **Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc.**

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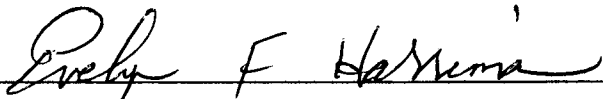
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**NOTICE OF
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DOCKET NO. 1996-51-C
Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") a request to change the Company's name to Verizon Long Distance LLC. The name change does not affect the rates, terms or conditions of services currently provided to the Company's customers; accordingly no changes have been made to the tariff's rates, terms or conditions of service. No changes have been made to the tariff except to reflect the Company's new name and to make all pages original.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Commission, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket Number 1996-51-C. A copy of the Application is also available from Connie Wightman, Consultant, 2600 Maitland Center Pkwy., Suite 300, Maitland, FL 32751.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina, in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure

on or before April 6, 2009, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 1996-51-C.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and Connie Wightman, Consultant, at the above address, on or before April 6, 2009, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 1996-51-C.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before April 6, 2009. Please refer to Docket No. 1996-51-C.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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